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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Confirmation No.: 2369
Hun Gun PARK Group Art Unit: 2673
Serial No.: 10/046,283 Examiner: Laurel E. Leflore
Filed: January 16, 2002 Customer No.: 34610

For: A DRIVING METHOD OF PLASMA DISPLAY PANEL

SUBMISSION AFTER FILING OF
A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Sir:

Applicant filed a Request for Continued Examination on August 26, 2004. In that RCE, applicant requested that the May 25, 2004 Amendment After Final Rejection be entered. This document should also serve as a Submission in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.114(c).

In response to the May 25 Amendment After Final Rejection, the June 4 Advisory Action indicated that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, was withdrawn. The Advisory Action then appeared to state new grounds of rejection if the May 25 claim amendments were entered. In particular, the Advisory Action indicated that claims 10, 11, 14-17 and 19 would be rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over U.S. Patent 6,531,994 to Nagano in view of U.S. Patent Publication 2001/0026254 to Ide et al. (hereafter Ide). The Advisory Action also indicated that

claim 12 would be rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Nagano in view of Ide and further in view of Journal of Applied Physics article “Global Breakdown in an Alternating Current Plasma Display Panel” by Ikeda et al. The Advisory Action also indicated that claim 13 would be rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Nagano in view of Ide and further in view of U.S. Patent 6,473,061 to Lim et al. (hereafter Lim). The Advisory Action still further indicated that claim 20 would be rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Nagano in view of Ide and further in view of U.S. Patent 6,587,084 to Alymov et al. (hereafter Alymov). These rejections are respectfully traversed.

Applicant respectfully submits that Ide has a U.S. filing date of March 21, 2001. However, the present application claims priority from Korean Patent Application 2001-003213, filed January 19, 2001. A certified copy of the Korean priority document was previously filed in this application on January 16, 2002. Applicant respectfully attaches a certified translation of this Korean priority document as well as a “Verification of Translation.” Applicant also respectfully submits that each of the rejected claims is supported by the Korean priority document. As such, the rejections based on any of the above-mentioned combinations involving Ide should be withdrawn since Ide is not prior art to these claims. Applicant also respectfully submits that the remaining references of Nagano, Ikeda and Alymov do not teach or suggest the missing features of the pending claims. Withdrawal of the outstanding rejections is respectfully requested.

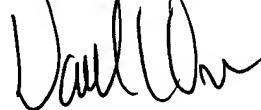
Applicant previously asserted that: (1) Lim is commonly assigned to the Assignee of the present application, (2) Lim was being relied upon as a reference under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) by way of 35 U.S.C. §102(e), and (3) in accordance with 35 U.S.C. §103(c), Lim may not be used as a prior art reference against the present application. In response, the Advisory Action states that applicant must submit proof that Lim and the present application were commonly assigned. In response, applicant respectfully submits that the cover page of the Lim patent clearly states that the assignee of the Lim patent is LG Electronics Inc. of Seoul, Korea. Applicant also attaches a copy of Notice of Recordation of Assignment Document for the present application that was issued by the Patent Office. This Notice indicates that the present application is assigned to LG Electronics, Inc. of Seoul, Korea. The Assignment is recorded at Reel 012504, Frame 0920. In view of this, applicant has submitted proof of the common assignee of both Lim and the present application. The rejection based on Lim should be withdrawn at least for this reason.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-17, 19 and 20 are earnestly solicited. If the Examiner believes that any additional changes would place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney, David C. Oren, at the telephone number listed below.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,
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Verification of Translation
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